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## USDF COMPETITION CONTACT

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### What's New

#### **USDFBC Competitions Must Offer a Current Year Foal Division**

Beginning this year, all USDFBC competitions MUST offer a Current Year Foal division. Qualifying neck sashes will be sent to you from the USDF office. The current year foal championship class at qualifying events must be open to first and second place winners of Sport Horse Prospect In Hand classes for all horses of current calendar year in both a Fillies of current calendar year class and a Colt/Geldings of current calendar year class. First and second place (and third if desired) fillies and colt/geldings of current year will compete against each other in the same class. (Organizers have the option of including third placed winners in championship classes.) Complete rules can be found [here](#). **Questions?**

#### **Competition Management Flash Drive**

The Competition Management Flash Drive contains all the USDF forms, documents and information you need to hold your USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition and also has an automatic update program installed so that you have the most up-to-date information and forms available. **Order your flash drive now.**

#### **Hosting the USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program Just Got Easier!**

Effective immediately, competitions wishing to host the USDF/Dover Saddlery Medal Program simply need to check the Dover box on the USEF/USDF Joint Application for License Agreement or e-mail [dovermedal@usdf.org](mailto:dovermedal@usdf.org). The Second Level Test Three class must still be designated in the competition's prize list.

#### **Minimum Score to be Awarded the USDF/Dover Saddlery Medal**

Effective October 1, 2009, the minimum score of 60% is required in the designated Second Level Test Three class to be awarded the USDF/Dover Saddlery Medal. **Questions?**

#### **USEF Equine Drugs & Medication Program Has Moved**

The United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Equine Drugs and Medications Program has moved to 956 King Ave., Columbus, OH 43212-2655. Their new phone number is (614) 299-7707 and the FAX number is (614) 299-7706. E-mail and the 800 number remain the same [medequestrian@aol.com](mailto:medequestrian@aol.com) and (800) 633-2472.

### Important Reminders

#### **Certificates of Liability Insurance for Competitions**

Please remember that USDF must receive a certificate of liability insurance at least two weeks prior to the competition. The coverage must be at least 1 million dollars, citing USDF as an "additional insured." A separate certificate for each event must include the competition name, date and competition number. Late fees will be applied if the complete certificate is not received at least two weeks prior to the competition. **Questions?**

#### **USDF Membership and Horse Requirements for Canadians**

Non-US citizens are not exempt from the USDF membership/non-member fee and horse registration requirements at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions. Foreign competitors competing only in a FEI Championship or

CDI class are exempt from the USDF membership/non-member fee and horse registration requirements.

#### **Have you Applied for your USDFBC Qualifying Event?**

All USDFBC qualifying competitions MUST send in the USDFBC Event application and fee. Only competitions that are USEF licensed/USDF recognized will be considered. Please check the [USDF calendar](#) and be sure your competition is listed! [Questions?](#)

#### **Use of USDF Affidavit Forms**

Please remember that if proof of USDF membership (any type of membership) or USDF horse registration cannot be provided by the exhibitor, a USDF affidavit must be completed and the affidavit filing fee of \$5 must be collected and submitted to USDF along with the completed affidavit form. (Exception: Affidavits cannot be used at regional championships) [Questions?](#)

#### **Use of Correct Horse Registration and Membership Forms at Competitions**

Please remember that only the horse registration and membership forms specifically designed to be used at competitions, which include spaces for competition name, date, number and secretary name may be used for membership sign ups at your competition. Do not use the horse registration and membership forms located in the membership section of the Web site. The horse registration and membership forms used at competitions can be found under the [competitions section](#) of the Web site and on the [Competition Management Flash Drive](#).

#### **Approved Membership/Horse Registration Verification**

Please do not accept any USDF online printouts that are not [acceptable forms](#) of verification. [Questions?](#)

#### **Incomplete Membership and Horse Registration Applications**

Please be advised that membership and horse applications submitted at shows will not be processed if they are incomplete. We ask that you encourage individuals submitting applications to thoroughly check their forms for all of the member and horse information, as well as payment information. In the case of incomplete forms, the effective date of the membership or horse registration is the date the correct paperwork and/or fees are resubmitted by the member and received in the USDF office, not necessarily the date that the application was submitted.

#### **Horse Registration Reminders**

The USDF Lifetime Horse Registration and Horse Identification (HID) Number are both onetime fees that do not need to be renewed each year. An HID can be upgraded to a Lifetime Horse Registration at any time for \$65.

#### **Horse Transfers Submitted at Competitions**

If a [transfer of ownership](#) is submitted at a competition, a bill of sale, USDF certificate with the previous owner's signature, breed papers in the current owner's name, or notarized USDF Ownership Affidavit must accompany the application and transfer fee.

#### **Registering Leased Horses**

When a lessee wishes to register a horse at a competition, the horse registration application must be accompanied by a notarized [lease agreement](#) that includes the owner's and lessee's signatures, as well as the end date of the lease. [Questions?](#)

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## **Opportunities**

#### **Hosting a Benefit Class Supports USDF Education Programs!**

For a \$100 donation, your competition can host a USDF Benefit Class and support USDF Education Programs. An engraved plaque and ribbons will be

provided for the Benefit Class. [Questions?](#)

**Want a Chance to Win a \$200 Dover Saddlery Shopping Spree?**

For each competition offering the USDF/Dover Saddlery Medal Program, the secretary's name will be entered into a drawing to win a \$200 Dover Saddlery shopping spree. Congratulations to Megan Scelba of Mount Holly, NJ for having her name drawn to receive the 2009 Dover Saddlery shopping spree!

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